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Abortive Reforms.

Bayvovard, in Asheville Citizen.

That the Republican party is reactionary and a Bourbon was demonstrated at Chicago last June. There were two political national conventions held in that town at that time—one standpat, the other progressive. There was not room enough in our country, big as it is, for both those parties at the same time. One of them had to die. The progressives were in the numerical majority, as was shown by the election returns of 1912, and it was much fitter to live than the standpat concern, but it was decreed that the progressive party should die in order that the "Old Guard" might live.

Here was an attempt made by its most admired and its most powerful chieftain—Col. Roosevelt—to reform and make progressive the Republican party. And it disastrously failed. It was an impossible job.

"But it happened unto them according to the true proverb. The dog has returned to his own vomit again: and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire."

In his admirable address accepting the nomination of the democratic party September 2, Mr. Wilson had this to say:

"The republican party is just the party that cannot meet the conditions of a new age. It does not know the way and it does not wish new conditions. It tried to beak away from the old leaders and could not. They still select its candidates and dictate its policy, still resist change, still hanker after the old conditions, still know no methods of encouraging business but the old methods. When it changes its leaders and its purposes and brings its ideas up to date it will have the right to ask the American people to give it power again, but not until then. A new age, an age of revolutionary change, needs new purposes and new ideas."

No intelligent man has the hardihood to challenge that statement. Such men as Lodge and Gallinger, Penrose and Smoot, Cannon and Mann do all the thinking for the republican party. They assert its principles and dictate its programs. Everybody knows that. Their chief ambition is the enactment of another Payne-Aldrich robber tariff. All the other "issues" they assert, are minor, trivial and negligible.

Charles E. Hughes was nominated for president because he was the one man who could defeat Theodore Roosevelt for the nomination. Driven out of political life in 1910 by Boss Barnes, he found a city of refuge on the Supreme bench, where he escaped the deluge of 1912. Touching the issues of 1916, nobody knew where he stood at the time he was nominated, and he has never declared himself touching them since, though his garulity is simply enormous. He jumps from pillar to post in pathetic attempts to escape responsibility for any positive word or deed whatever.

He did deliver himself of one startling statement, however, when he disclosed that the standpatters and the progressives had the same political ideas. Thus Theodore Roosevelt and William H. Tait, Rodert H. La Follette and Boies Penrose, Gifford Pincho and Bill Finin, Albert J. Beveridge and Jim Hemminway, Raymond Robins and Joseph G. Cannon, William Allen White and Lyle Young, James R. Garfield and Jacob H. Gallinger, are all gathered into the same drag net, all flesh of the same tribe,

all patriots of the same kidney.

The process by which this wonder was wrought has not been revealed. We do not know whether the standpatters were white-washed, or whether the progressives were treated to a coat of lamplblack. That ceremony was pulled off behind the scenes. But according to Candidate Hughes, the miscegenation, like the operation for appendicitis, was eminently successful and satisfactory.

And so the 100 per cent. corporation candidate is busy gathering figs from thistles and grapes from thorns, while all the ravens are diligently hatching larks. It is almighty doubtful if the thing works. It would be difficult even if the administration of Woodrow Wilson did not appeal to all forward-looking men. Of the President, Mr. Edison, who has such stupendous genius for practical and material things, says that he has blundered, but that when he blunders he moves forward, and that is the important thing.

When Ollie James began his speech notifying the president of his re-nomination, the vast audience was reinforced by some thousand or so men and women who had just arrived on the grounds, with a band of some score or so instruments playing "Onward Christian Soldiers!" Could anything be more appropriate? And how gracefully did Ollie yield to the music!

It was a good omen, and earnest of the bountiful crop of progressives who will enrich the golden sheaves the democracy will harvest in November. And why should not the real, honest, sincere progressives support Woodrow Wilson? Those men who meant it in 1912, who were not out on a frolic, who were not merely following a popular idol—these men have no other popular idol—these men have no other place to go, except to lend their energies and their patriotic endeavors to the election of a man who has given the country one of the most successful national administrations in our entire history.

The real republican paramount is secret, hidden. It is another monopoly tariff. All this stuff about Germany and Mexico, civil service and "pork," "Americanism" and "firmness" is so much rot—so many herrings dragged across the trail. Aldrich is the issue and the only issue the G. O. P. has in stock.

Washington, Sept. 21.

When You Have A Cold.

Give it attention, avoid exposure, be regular and careful of your diet, also commence taking Dr. King's New Discovery. It contains Pine-Tar, Antiseptic Oils and Balsams. Is slightly laxative. Dr. King's New Discovery eases your cough, soothes your throat and bronchial tubes, checks your cold, starts to clear your head. In a short time you know your cold is better. It's the standard family cough remedy in use over forty years. Get a bottle at once. Keep it in the house as a cold insurance. Sold at your druggist.

If the Republicans desire to arrest the attention of the people of North Carolina, they will find out that it will successfully resist arrest.—Wilmington Star.

Says They Are Wonderful.

Hot weather is doubly dangerous when digestion is bad. Constipation, sick headache, biliousness, or other conditions caused by clogged bowels yield quickly to Foley Cathartic Tablets. Mrs. Elizabeth Slauson, No. Norwalk Conn., writes: "I can honestly say they are wonderful." For sale by M B Blackburn.

Bicket Takes Up State Issues.

Morgantown News-Herald.

Reports from Smithfield where Hon. T. W. Bickett, Democratic nominee for governor, spoke Tuesday, indicate that Mr. Bickett got warmed up on State issues and gave his hearers some facts to ponder.

General Bickett said that so far in the campaign he had confined himself to the great national issues, because

1st. The general prosperity of the people is touched more deeply by the new currency law, the rural credits bill, the cotton futures act, bonded warehouse act, the ship purchase act and the other progressive laws enacted by the present administration at Washington.

2nd. He preferred to discuss debatable questions, and not even the Republicans themselves seriously believe the people are going to turn the State over to the Republican party, and,

3rd. Because there is no pleasure in speaking evil of things that are evil; opening bad eggs just to prove they are bad, or in performing an autopsy on a dead body simply to demonstrate that it very properly died, all of which is involved in a discussion of the Republican record in this State.

But a misguided Republican leadership has blundered into the belief that I am afraid to discuss State issues, and have themselves challenged a comparison of records with 1868 and 1898."

Referring to the injection of the record of 1868 into this campaign by T. T. Hicks, the last Republican for Chief Justice, and after portraying a part of the record of that period, General Bickett said: "This is the basic trouble with the Republican leadership in North Carolina. It has never repented, therefore can never reform. It has never gone down on its knees and prayed to be forgiven for the crime of 1858. Let me say to the Republican leaders in North Carolina, that never, never will the people turn this fair State over to the Republican party until a new leadership shall arise and shall have the courage to disown and denounce 1868, and every man who apologizes for it."

But this speech was strongest in its defense of the record, and its portrayal of the achievements of the sixteen years of Democratic State administration, of which decency, economy, peace and progress are the stable products.

Taking the Republican contrast of expenditures now with that of Republicans in 1898, he likened government in a democracy to that of a family, and the responsibilities of government to that of the head of a family. The first duty of the head of the family is to protect the family's health. Disease is the heaviest tax that can be laid upon any community. When the Republicans were last in power in 1898 they spent in the protection of the public health \$2,500. The Democrats spent for this purpose last year \$50,000.

"Where the Republicans spent \$158,000 for care of the insane we are spending \$557,000, and we are spending the larger amount with more economy than they spent the smaller amount."

As a cure for coughs Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey combines these remedies in just the right proportion to do the most good for summer coughs and colds. A trial will prove the value of this splendid cough medicine. Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey soothes the irritation, stops your cough, kills the cold germs and does you a world of good. A 25c. bottle will more than convince you—it will stop your cough. At druggists.

As To Mismanagement.

The Republican chatter about Democratic extravagance and inefficiency in North Carolina has been growing manifestly weaker and weaker and by and by we shall hear no more of it. Mismanagement is no longer being charged and the allegations are becoming more vague and indefinite. There is cause for this subsidence. They are singing mighty low in particular on the matter of the audit of Treasurer Lacy's books—an audit which they were invited to make. They imported expert accountants from New York and these experts were given full access to the books in the Treasurer's office. The Republicans had been making loud boasts as to what would be forthcoming, but all of a sudden they lapsed into a dense silence. Their auditors, after having gone half way through the task, reported that there was nothing to be gained by the audit; that the office was administered efficiently and cheaper than any other State Treasurer's office in the country and that the only criticism whatever was to be found in the antiquated system of book keeping in use. The Republicans then dropped the matter. They ought to have some reward for their trouble and expense, however, and the Observer is inclined to give it to them in the way of a gentle reminder of what happened in the Treasurer's office when Daniel Russell was Governor in 1897 and the Republicans were in control of State affairs. Martin, the chief clerk to State Treasurer Worth stole \$17,000 of the State funds, was tried and convicted and if he is not dead is even yet serving his term in the penitentiary. These things are recalled for the enlightenment of the State.—Charlotte Observer.

Liver Trouble.

"I am bothered with liver trouble about twice a year," writes Joe Dingman, Webster City, Iowa. "I have pains in my side and back and an awful soreness in my stomach. I heard of Chamberlain's Tablets and tried them. By the time I had used half a bottle of them I was feeling fine and had no signs of pain. Obtainable everywhere."

NOTICE OF SALE.

North Carolina, Watauga County. In the Superior Court, before the Clerk, J. W. Moore, Adm. of Leonard Mitchell, deceased, vs. Earl Mitchell, heir at law.

By virtue of an order of the Superior Court of Watauga County made in the special proceeding entitled J W Moore, administrator of Leonard Mitchell, deceased, against Earl Mitchell, minor heir at law, the same being No. — on the special proceeding docket of said court the undersigned commissioner will, on the first Monday in Nov., it being the 6th day thereof, 1916, offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash all the merchantable timber on both the following described tracts of land, to wit: Lying in Beaver Dam township, Watauga county, and on Reuben's Creek, and adjoining the lands of E. J. Farthing, Will Thompson and others: Beginning on a poplar and runs N. 64 poles to a chestnut, then E. 50 poles to a stake in Farthing's line, then S. 64 poles to a stake, then W. 50 poles to the beginning, containing 20 acres more or less. Second tract adjoining the first tract above described and the lands of W A Williams and J W Moore, and contains 9 acres more or less and for fuller and more complete description of the said lands, reference is hereby made to the complaint in the office of the Clerk of said county in the above entitled proceedings and all of said timber to be sold at the court house door in the town of Boone on the 6th day of Nov. 1916, between the hours of 10, a. m. and 2 o'clock, p. m.

Wm. FARTHING, Com.

Some Water. This.

Lenoir News.

John Moore says that thirty-five million car loads of water fell in Watauga during the July flood. He has figured carefully on this matter, he says, and if all this water was loaded on freight cars and hooked to a train moving 20 miles per hour, would take twenty-three years for the train to pass through Lenoir. The News not being well versed in mathematics, does not attempt to question John's figures.

For Summer Troubles.

Hay fever afflicts thousands and asthma sufferers endure torture. Foley's Honey and Tar gives relief. It allays inflammation, clears air passages, cures rasping cough, soothes and heals. This wholesome family remedy contains no opiate—a bottle lasts a long time. For sale by M. B. Blackburn.

BANK REPORT.

Following is the report of the condition of Valle Crucis Bank at Valle Crucis, in the state of North Carolina at the close of business Sept 12, 1916

RESOURCES:	
Loans and discounts	\$29,129.58
Overdrafts Secured	606.25
Overdrafts Unsecured	101.50
Banking House	1,354.82
Furniture and Fixtures	871.02
Demands loans	375.00
Due from National banks	9,635.23
Due from Banks and b'krs	871.02
Cash Items	13.55
Gold coin	125.00
Silver coin, including all minor coin currency	135.00
National bank notes and other U. S. notes	1,068.00
Total	\$44,291.06
LIABILITIES:	
Capital stock paid in	10,000
Surplus Fund	600.00
Undivided profits less current expenses and taxes paid	88.17
Notes and Bills rediscounted	5,000.00
Bills Payable	5,000.00
Deposits subject to check	15,533.92
Time certificates of deposit	7,087.24
Savings Deposits	483.50
Cashier's cks outstanding	380.38
Accrued int. due depositors	18.70
Total	44,291.06

State of North Carolina, County of Watauga ss: I, L. M. Farthing, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

L. M. FARTHING, Cashier.
Correct—Attest:
H. B. PERRY
SAHAR G. WAGNER
D. F. MAST
Directors.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25th day of Sept. 1916.
W. H. MAST, N. P.

BANK STATEMENT.

Following is the report of the condition of the Watauga County Bank at Boone, N. C., in the State of North Carolina, at the close of business Sept. 12th, 1916.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	\$209,211.44
Overdrafts secured	111.79
Overdrafts unsecured	266.77
Banking house	2,000.00
Furniture and fixtures	1,000.00
Due from Nat. banks	28,874.89
Due from State Banks and Bankers	17,532.07
Gold coin,	3,627.00
Silver coin, including all minor coin currency	985.86
National bank notes and other U. S. notes	1,861.00
Total	\$256,470.82
LIABILITIES:	
Capital Stock paid in	17,000.00
Surplus fund,	15,000.00
Undivided profits, less current expenses and tax paid	4,054.94
Bills payable	3,000.00
Deposits subject to check	108,677.67
Time certificates of dep	101,183.06
Cashier's cks. outstanding	2,224.89
Savings Deposits	4,339.26
Total	\$256,470.82

State of North Carolina, Watauga County, ss: I, G. P. Hagaman, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

G. P. HAGAMAN, Cashier.
Correct—Attest:
N. L. Mast,
W. C. Coffey,
L. A. Greene, Directors.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27 day of Sept. 1916.
W. S. MILLER, Dep. Reg. Deeds.

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